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TO: **Each Supervisor** 

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Bryce Yokomizo, Director

CAL-LEARN CASE MANAGEMENT - NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO

NEGOTIATE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS

In accordance with your Board motion of February 23, 1999, on sole source contracts of \$250,000 or greater, I am informing you of the Department's intent to negotiate non-competitive contracts with four Adolescent Family Life Program (AFLP) agencies. AltaMed Health Services Corporation, El Nido Family Centers, Foothill Family Service, and Childrens Hospital Los Angeles, for the provision of Cal-Learn Case Management Services. The current contracts with the AFLP agencies expire on August 31, 2006.

Under the current contracts, the AFLP agencies provide intensive case management and supportive services to pregnant and parenting CalWORKs teens to assist them in completing their high school education. State law requires counties to contract with AFLP agencies for Cal-Learn services.

In September 2005, one of the AFLP agencies, Southern California Youth & Family Center (SCYFC) discontinued providing Cal-Learn services as a result of a change in their financial condition. Pursuant to the contract, this discontinuance of services was a breach in the terms of the contract and rendered the contractor in default. To continue services in the two areas previously served by SCYFC; namely, Inglewood and Long Beach, AltaMed Health Services Corporation and El Nido Family Centers agreed to continue services to participants residing respectively in the two areas.

The Agreements are caseload driven and do not include maximum contract amounts. Payments are based on the number of eligible teens who are enrolled and participate in the Cal-Learn program. The current estimated contract cost for the Agreements is \$21,027,719 and the annual cost is \$7,009,240. The Cal-Learn case management services are core services that will continue to be funded with CalWORKs Single Allocation for FY 2006-07.

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Effective December 2003, the Board mandated that the Cal-Learn contractors meet three performance measures, school enrollment (60%), report card submission (50%) and graduation rates (50%). On November 30, 2004, the Agreements were amended to include a performance measure for orientation (65%). As of November 2005, 65 percent of Cal-Learn participants completed Orientation, 65 percent were enrolled in high school, 90 percent submitted their report cards and 65 percent graduated from high school or obtained their GED certificate.

The new contracts will cover a term of three years, effective September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2009.

We will proceed to negotiate the sole source contracts within two weeks, unless otherwise instructed by your Board.

BY:yjm

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors